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In re Application of Applicants:

Beaman et al.

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TEST PROBE AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF

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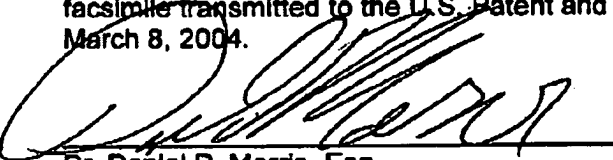
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Reg. No. 32,053CORRECTED AMENDMENTIN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT37 CFR 1.121 DATED FEBRUARY 6, 2004

In response to Office Action dated July 17, 2002, please consider the following:

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Invention. Collins et al. teaches at Col. 3, line 68 to Col. 4, line 2 "The beams 18 elastically compress and deform due to axial force" (Emphasis added) and at Col. 5, lines 24-26 "The beam 18 is made of wire which elastically deforms and compresses when subjected to axial pressure" (Emphasis added.) and at Col. 6, lines 36-37 "when axial pressure is applied ... the beam 18 elastically compresses and deforms ." (Emphasis added." Thus Collins et al teaches away from "compliantly responding" as recited in independent claim 29 and in amended independent claims 34, 37, 42 and 43. "Deforming" as taught by Collins et al. is not "compliantly responding" as claimed by applicant.

In view of the changes to the claims and the remarks herein, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the above-identified application. If the Examiner wishes to discuss the application further, or if additional information would be required, the undersigned will cooperate fully to assist in the prosecution of this application.

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In the event that this amendment does not result in allowance of all such claims, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests a telephone interview at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

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Respectfully submitted,

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